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- 1. The Zabrze-Zachod coal mine is located in Zabrze (Q51/Y47), ul. Wolnosci.
- 2. The administration is broken down as follows: chief director; Works Council; Party secretary and P.O.P. (Basic Party Organization); personnel section; technical manager; planning office; office for technical drawings; and the book-keeping and payment office.
- 3. The coal mine is an old German installation known as "Koenigin Luise Grube-West-feld". Since 1945, the mine has been subject to Polish authorities.
- 4. The mine covers an area of approximately 300 by 400 m and consists of the following installations:
 - 1 one-story concrete building, 4 x 5 x 4 m, Works Council.
 - 2 three-story concrete building, 20 x 15 x 12 m, offices.
 - 3 one-story concrete building, 20 x 15 x 12 m, dispensary.
 - 4 one-story concrete building, 6 x 6 x 4 m, gatekeeper's room and pass control.
 - 5 gate.
 - 6 one-story concrete building, 6 x 10 x 4 m, sentry room.
 - 7 one-story concrete building, 12 x 150 x 6 m, workers' bathroom
 - 8 pedestrian bridge across the railway siding.
 - 9 one-story concrete building, $40 \times 60 \times 12 \text{ m}$, hall for sorting of coal.

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- 10 one-story concrete building, 6 x 12 x 6 m, storage room for electric lights.
- 11 coal pit, 3 x 5 m large and 260 m deep.
- 12 coal pit, 3 x 4 m large, 500 m deep.
- 13 and 14 one-story concrete buildings, 8 x 15 x 8 m, steam engines for hauling coal.
- 15, 16 and 17 refrigerating plants, diameter 6 m, height 15 m.
- 18 pumping station.
- 19 crane.
- 20 railway siding for transportation of sand.
- 21 one-story, concrete building, 15 x 40 x 10 m, boilers.
- 22 chimney (diameters 4 m, height over 30 m)
- 23 two-story concrete building, 10 x 30 x 8 m, workshop.
- 24 one-story concrete building, 4 x 10 x 3 m, quarters of the Industrial Guard.
- 25 one-story concrete building, $4 \times 12 \times 3 \text{ m}$, quarters of the fire guard.
- 26 storage buildings:
 - a) wooden barracks, 4 x 8 x 3 m, for oil and gasoline storage.
 - b) wooden barracks, 6 x 12 x 3 m, for tools.
 - c) wooden barracks, 4 x 8 x 3 m, for work clothes.
- 27 railway siding for transportation of coal from the sorting hall.
- 5. The daily output amounts to approximately 2000 tons. Only since October 1951 has the mine been equipped with the necessary mining machinery (kombajny weglowe).
- 6. Current is supplied by the power station at Zabrze.
- 7. The Zachod coal mine employs approximately 2,800 workers and employees, including 300 soldiers from the labor battalion stationed at Zabrze along the highway to Mikulczyce. The work is done in three shifts:
 - a. from 0600 hrs to 1400 hrs;
 - b. from 1400 hrs to 2200 hrs;
 - e. from 2200 hrs to 0600 hrs.

Work is also done on two Sundays during the month.

8. Personnel

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- a. Bernard Bugdol, chief director, 35 years old, 172 cm tall, dark hair. Party member. Formerly foreman at subject mine, he was promotoed to his present position on account of his social qualifications (awans spoleczny).
- b. Wilk, fnu, administration manager for wood works (na powierzchni), 52 years old, 170 cm tall, dark hair, married, 3 children, residing at Zabrze, ul. Wolnosci 380, Party member.

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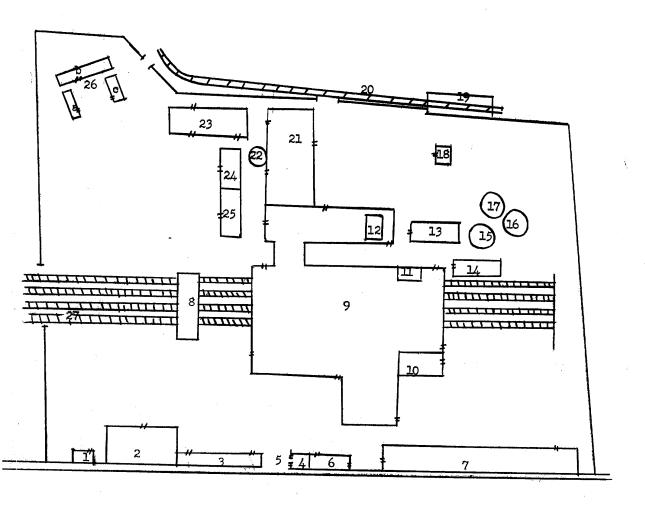
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9. The mine is surrounded by a hedge approximately 2 m high. The area is guarded by a detachment of the Industrial Guards (ca. 50 men). The workers are issued passes with photos by the administration of the mine. The passes are stamped every three months.

Sketch of Zabrze-Zachod Coal Mine in Zabrze



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